## READY FOR OLYMPIAD

Greatest Meet in History Begins To-morrow.

WILL CONTINUE TWO WEEKS

Athletes from All Parts of World in London for Championships in Mammoth Stadium-Record-breaking Sale of Seats-Table of Events. Tracks in Best Condition.

With the greatest athletes of the world competing the Olympic games of 1998 will open in the mammoth stadium at Shep herd's Bush, London, to-morrow, Nothing to equal the eleven-day struggle on track field, and water has ever been attempted heretofore in the history of sport, and given proper weather conditions there appears to be every promise of a most wenderful contest and new records. For months the most famous athletes of England, Canada, Australia, the United States, France, Germany, Sweden, and many other countries have been training for these events. Now on the eve of the great international contest for Olympic titles word comes from England that the various teams are in rendiness for a series of contests which will mark a new epoch in the history of the world's amateur athletics.

So great is the interest which has been aroused in the series of events that London, great as it is, is said to be overflowing with athletic enthusiasts and athletic interest. Even the staid Britishers have been seized with a realization of the greatness of the programme and the throngs that will witness the contests, and according to reports from Americans now in England explain the marked increase in the price of commodities of all kinds by naively remarking that "it is due to the Olympic games." The Franco-British Exposition, in connection with which the Olympiad is to be held, has proved a great boom to London and the surrounding country and, beginning tomorrow, all roads will lead to the great stadium wherein for the next two weeks the athletes from all parts of the world will compete.

#### Seats for 75,000 Persons.

Everything in connection with the games has been planned on a scale in keeping with that of the stadium, which is by far the greatest structure ever erected for an and many feet wide, together with several be off famous Diamona Head, And be off famous Diamona Head, And every traveler across the Pacific paraphernalia and every traveler across the Pacific paral stands. There was much difficulty in obtaining out." and scores of other minor accessories, are all included within the outer walls of the

elaborate ceremonies. So well has it done the work that everything is in readiness it will be possible to hold running races, early on the spot, nothing is missing to time, and with all these features in progmake the meeting a success. Both tracks and turf, composed as they are of cinders, cement and sod, have been rolled seeded over, and otherwise prepared by experts until they now await the coming land, has been drawn up to cover the the shot putters, pole vaulters, blcycle riders, runners, umpers, and other athetes in a condition which appears to make the breaking of existing records no

only possible but probable Record Sale of Seats.

The advance sale of seats is said t have surpassed anything in the history o British sports, and it is confidently predicted that for every athlete seen in com petition there will be a hundred or mor spectators to cheer him on in his efforts Some idea of the size of the venture ma be obtained from the statement that the running expenses of the stadium an games alone will be more than \$8,000 pe day, which, added to the original cost of the structure, exceeding as it did \$300,00 makes it necessary for the events t weeks' meet may not be conducted at

The stadium, which is laid out with th longer sides of the oval facing the cas and west, is divided into seventy-four sections. The covered grand stands which include the royal box and the at tendant choice reservations, are on th west side of the stadium and face th swimming pool. On both sides of the series of stands come immense tiers of uncovered seats. On the north and sout sections of the oval are what is known a the end stands, which correspond to certain extent with the bleachers at a American baseball park. The east side the stadium also has an immense covere grand stand in its center with uncovere sections on both sides, but the prices her will not be as high as those charged fo the west stand because of the distance the finish line and also bed

commodate four persons, the charge for season ticket, which will admit to twenty morning and afternoon sessions will be \$252. A similar reservation for the opening and closing days will cost \$42, with a charge for single afternoon sessions of \$21 and for the morning sessions one-half these figures. Reserved seats back of the boxes in the west stand bring Special to The Washington Herald. \$62.50 for the session of twenty-three meetings, with the opening and closing day nary and first rounds of the Delaware are \$5.25. From these figures the prices and \$1.25 for a single session admission.

Will Fill All Seats.

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It will not, of course, be possible for the holders of these latter coupons to appreciate as fully the events that are transpiring in the stadium, as it will for the privileged grand stand spectators, since it is considerably more than a quarter of a mile from the north section of seats to those at the southern end of the ampitheater. Notwithstanding the immensity of the stadium and the long list of contests which the two weeks' programme calls for, it is the belief of those in charge that the afternoon sessions each day will comfortably fill the many thousands of seats, while the opening and closing days and Saturdays will see record-breaking throngs filling the great hippodrome to its full capacity.

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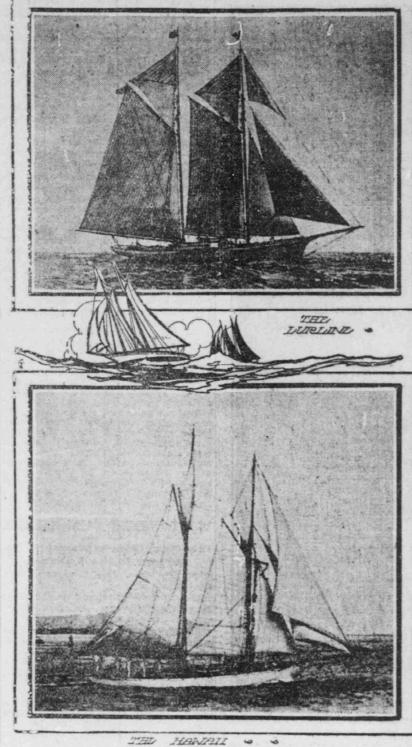
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#### PARTICIPATING IN TRANS-PACIFIC RACE.



athletic meet. The mammoth amphitheater Honolulu, which was started on Saturday, hour, as it were, were the entries of the Lurline, the Glendolyn II, and the Lady ward and beckon the oncoming bit of and incloses two tracks, the larger of schooner Hawaii, was built at Honolulu which is more than a third of a mile in circumference. It is so large that the Pacific to start in the race, and so between the Hawaii Yacht Club and the Pacific to start in the race, and so between the Hawaii Yacht Club and the was under suspension for insubordination. Such Club of San Padro at the ball to store and if he was under suspension for insubordination. marble stadium at Athens, in which the Olympic games of 1906 were held could charge of the vessel that there are many that there shall be a race every two years. Olympic games of 1966 were held, could who wish that she may prove the winner, be set on the infield alone without inter- Opposed to her is the schooner Lurline, will be carried out. Opposed to her is the senomer Lathne, the property of Mr. H. H. Sinclair, a vettor are the tracks and infield the only features of the Shepherds Bush Stadium, for a swimming pool 110 yards in length and many feet wide, together with several Lundred dressing rooms, halls for the Lundred dressing rooms, halls for the senomene Lathne, will be carried out.

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bicycle contests field athletics and ounts from American athletes swimming contests at one and the same ress at once the three-ring circus will be no longer a spectacle to marvel over.

> Programme of Events. The time chart, as it is known in Eng-FIRST WEEK-JULY 13 TO 18.

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State Championship Played.

Wilmington, Del., July 11 .- The prelimicharges \$10.50. Ordinary afternoon charges Bay State tennis championship were played this afternoon. There were a large number of entries, and the opening was auspicious. The summaries:

In the trans-Pacific race. San Pedro to | boats for this race, and only at the last

N. Y. A. C. Captures Championships by Big Margin.

Good Time of 0:10 Flat-W. Berker

New York, July 11 .- The junior track and field championships of the Metro- they manage, in stiff ruffler, Medici of letic Union was held to-day at Travers such gyrations? Island, under the auspices of the New York Athletic Club. It was expected by a big margin.

seemingly a lot to spare.

In the semi-final he did much better, coming home in 10 seconds flat, and game, as they do to-day these figures equal the junior record and is the favorite in game is the rule, as it is the favorite in versity, a couple of years ago. Eckman able to push him hard, else he would marksmanship, and touch. have equaled his time of the semifinal.

Another event of more than medicor W. Berker, of the New York Athletic Club, recled off the distance in 4:33 2-5. Spain, and Italy, as well as France. A couple of seconds slower than Eisele Shakespeare asserts that Antony and won the event by. One of the most Cleopatra were good enough friends to hollow victories of the day was the 16pound hammer throw, which was won by Andrews, of the New York Athletic Club. His distance was 145 feet 3 inches, or some thirty feet better than his near

## COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.

Murphy Team Defeats the Leaders in Eleven Innings. STANDING OF THE TEAMS. E. S. Co. 9 3 756 Howard Co.... fabra & Co... 7 6 538 Murphy Co.... doses & Sons. 3 5 530 Goldenberg...

To-morrow's game-Wm. Halin & Co. tional Electric Supply Co., at Eighth str Florida avenue northeast, at 5:30.

paint men, pitched gilt-edge ball, striking out fourteen men and allowing six hits. While Reichard, in the box for the elecwas found for five hits. A home home run by Dugan and the fielding of Dyer at second for the Nationals were features.

# BILLIARDS IN FAVOR

Ancient Game Most Popular skrewes. in This Country.

IS A TEST OF DISPOSITION after all. This innovation, it is declared.

seas While Indulging in Pastime. of touch, and execution of stroke. Seriousness with Which Devotee The English architect who designed this Plays Game Is Astonishing.

America plays billiards more than does all the rest of the world combined, said the New York Herald the other day.

Every hotel and club and most private clude a billiard room. It is a resource in teurs the technicalities of the cue. the entertainment of visitors; a magnet to attract young, men to home amusement, and, besides proving a recreation, is, in a

Billiards induces thought and reflection, and one who plays the game frivolously is considered by wielders of the cue incapable of serious attention to anything

In no other pastime is one able to display as much grace of action, except, perhaps, in fencing. A woman who plays billiards gracefully is wonderfully attractive, and her opponent, if a man, is often so interested in admiring her attitudes that he loses his heart as well as his somewhat crude prototype in 1674. game.

Two persons only can play billiards. A chaperon may not converse, and if she is not a player she soon tires of watching balls bounding back and forth in mysterious angles over a green cloth, and leaves her charges to themselves. Serious as is the game, it offers far more opportunities for indulging in flirtation than does even the game of heartswhere interest is all centered in prosaic chips, and the grace or awkwardness of a player matters not at all.

Players Become Excited.

To an onlooker unfamiliar with billiards, there is something astonishing about the seriousness with which its devotees enter into it. Many a pompous financier, who has preserved a calm and smiling demeanor through all the strain of deals involving the loss or gain of fortunes, beomes excitable and irascible at billiards. vantage he is as likely as not to call him

diameter. One marvels that some of the terity, cues brandished heedlessly during the mocues brandished heedlessly during the moments of absorption on the part of the player is usually quick at players do not cause injuries to eyes and not cause injuries to eyes and noses, and the onlooker momentarily expenses the player is usually quick at repartee and spirited in conversation. The wellington landed in the peninsula with repartee and spirited in conversation. The British troops, and while Napoleon's appointment by Vice Almiral Lord Collingwood to the lower players. fight between the excited players.

One falls to wondering whether Queen Elizabeth ever beheaded opponents who incurred her anger at billiards-it was so easy for her to trump up heretical or charges against them whether Louis XIV, who made billiards fashionable in the seventeenth century, when the game was prescribed by his Eckman Takes Century Dash in after dinner every day, ever consigned to the Bastile courtiers who upset his calculations and temper by making remarks at inopportune moments during the

If women of old indulged in the contortions that some modern women consider necessary to billiard playing, how did politan Association of the American Ath- and steel-plated stomacher, to achieve

Exclusive Court Game.

Considering the fact that billiards was there would be a sharp tussle for the an exclusive game of the courts for a cues went through various evolutions with gave chase. The breeze was fresh was found that was suitable. John Hayle, point honors, but early in the fray the long time, one does not marvel that Eng-New York Athletic Club showed great land clings to the game of "hazard" to times of ivory, in 1760; the oblique cut, noon and night the chase went on. Sleep Coach Courtney. "Here's a piece of cedar strength, and the winged foot won out this day, for at it courtiers were less that rounded upon one side, and the The most classy performance of the winning too frequently through good laid with pearl and with fancy gold and afternoon was the 100-yard run, and playing rather than patent luck. Court silver name plates. Once in a while, some the star of the event was C. G. Eckman, etiquette, :00, prevented the bore from player is presented with a fawel set cue, of the Association A. A. of Brooklyn. wearying others by recounting reasons The youngster from across the bridge for losing a game "accidentally." No won his trial heat in 10 1-5 seconds with such etiquette restrains the bore now. It also caused winners on flukes to refrain from asserting their signal ability at the

most countries, except England. The won the final in 10 1-5 seconds. Kimbal, tempers of American players, and also an of the New York Athletic Club, was not opportunity to exhibit fine calculations,

To Henrique de Vigne, a French artist of the reign of Charles IX (about is ascribed the invention of billiard tables and formulation of rules for the game, class was the mile run. The winner, although the origin of billiards has been accredited variously to China. England, play billiards without falling out, but he doesn't mention how or when the game got into Egypt. Billiard-room libraries contain books

with diagrams and rules showing how various games of billiards and pool may be played. Such rooms are usually decorated period styles, and billiard tables and mantel and wall markers are constructed to harmonize with the room, even to maogany claw-footed tables where colonial furniture and decorations are employed. Tables of Rosewood.

Billiard tables are constructed of the fashionable finishing woods of to-day, notably Circassian and Italian walnut, mahogany, quartered oak, and even rarer the field in a gentlemanly fashion. One woods. Such tables vary in price from student seized the willow where it gave hogany, quartered oak, and even rarer \$700 to \$1,800, and are finished with rub-E. J. Murphy Company took a fall out ber cushions, to which is due the high of the leaders yesterday in the Commer- average maintained in the American cial League in an eleven-inning pitcher's game. Improvement in cushions is rebattle. Gray, on the firing line for the sponsible for improvement in playing bilitards. Cotton, wool, and hair filled cush-lons on billiard tables until 1835, when disconcerted scientist. The process being off Cape Bon, but to this summons there those of India rubber were introduced. tricians, fanned but eight batsmen and Oak beds, followed by marble, were employed until about 1827, when slate beds were first used. Ancient pockets or hazards were generally mere wooden boxes and "mace playing" and "cue playing" described the game we know as billiards. The old method of converting a billiard into a pool table was to use pocket stops now a change of rails may be effected in two minutes, since the introduction of tw

Queen Elizabeth's successor and paid for out of the exchequer: "One billiarde out of the exchequer: "One billiarde boarde, twelve foote longe and fower foote broade, the frame being wallnut tree, well wrought and carved, with eight great skrewes and eighteen small

New Oval Table.

It is said that old billiard tables were of many and various shapes, so that the new oval table now enjoying great popularity in England may not be so very new does away with the possibility of nursing and top of the table play, and gives Display Characteristics a more scientific basis to the game, be-They Were Never Known to Pos- sides furnishing greater opportunity for exhibitions of skill, calculation, delicacy

oval table planned it so that the bails would always be more accessible, the rest, or bridge, seldom being required, and to obviate the necessity for assuming different attitudes when making a stroke. The oval table also affords excellent ophouses built for persons of means in- hold feminine hands while teaching ama- these conditions is a mystery, as he did Had another man been named for the

and, besides proving a recreation, is, in a way, a test of disposition, for persons will display qualities and characteristics while playing billiards which one is not likely to discover in them at any other time.

The transfer of the table, but most players cling to the Chinese button and wire. A touch of the cue sends the buttons flying to the cue sends th the reflection of their pretty strokes. Many wish that all reflections were as slient during the progress of a game. Various cloths have served their turn

faithfully to a green color, possibly as a eminder that billiards was evoved from a game once played upon the turf, some-what analogous to bowling, and called "balyards," a name meaning "ball and stick." For centuries the cue was known as the "mast," "stick," and "mace," and the modern billiard table had its llard cloth is made in Vervier, Belgium, and is known as Simonis cloth. This affords the most perfect medium for the progress of the balls of ivory, out of for no other substance, experts affirm, possesses such elasticity. The same results cannot be obtained with composiion balls. Balls for pool are often made of a composition of celluloid and other ingredients, the qualities and proportions of which are held sacred.

Qualities Demanded by Billiards.

In order to play a good game of bil iards one must possess excellent sight steady nerves, alert mental faculties, and the ability to make rapid combinations o meet exigencies of ever new positions itles necessary to good chess playing and gles, and take in points. The billiard player obtains physical exercise and mental relaxation at the same time, and in sensibly and inevitably trains all his and shouting at a meaningless looking lit- game is superior to it in the development tle ivory ball, no more than 2% inches in of skill, calculation, precision, and dex-

to beat him at billiards.

rative in hue and texture. Evolution of the Cue.

Ivory tips are of ancient origin, but leather ones and the use of chalk upon them to prevent their slipping upon the such as perfectly flat ends; points, somelikely to lose their heads or positions by beveled cue Persons often use cues inbut he keeps such souvenirs and trophies for ornament rather than service.

> Practically every nobleman's house England and every chauteau in France had its billiard table, and the game was popular in England for more than a ce tury before it was introduced in America. billiard table in New York was owned by an Irishman on Whitehall dock, and New York's first billiard room was opened in 1808—one hundred years ago. So fashionable did the game

later that among men who vied with one another in the beauty of their billiard appointments was Alexander Hamilton who possessed a richly carved six pocket mahogany table, 12 by 6 feet in size. A modern devotee to the pastime was the late Henry Ward Beecher, who praised the game as a "noble" one, to "be encouraged in all safe ways," and who said that "billiards must be regarded as or of the most clarming games invented." statement to which every player yields hearty assent.

## BASEBALL A LA BOSTON.

ulary Are Not Appreciated.

game, says the Harvard Lampson. The semicircular erections were spiritually magnificent with their bevies of Back Bay beauties seated thereon when the organization from Harvard traversed the greatest leverage and struck a grace- ard, tacked. It proved a day of interful attitude However, he struck nothing else, for he who evolves the sphere now entered into a series of remarkable confortunate student retired, bursting into was spent as wakefully as were the previ-

His successor was more successful, suoceeding in approaching into closer proximity to the spheroid, which he ejected and two miles and a half in front the violently into the left-hand prairie, where Requin was steering for Tunis Bay. it passed peacefully away into the hands of an unsympathetic barbarian. (At this point the reporter was ejected.)

# SPORTING COMMENT.

By THE SCORER.

Ungland a Strong Player.

Cantillon at Milwaukee, and as they have up to expectations. and try his hardest.

Boston, Unglaub received the blow from the managerial ability calculated to get which he has never recovered as he had which he has never recovered, as he had confidently expected to become permanent leader of the remnants of Jimmy did so in portunities for posing as well as flirting, collins' world champion club. Why he critics in New York that they were wrong especially where it becomes necessary to was retained so long as a Red Sox under in speaking of Elberfeld as a general. teurs the technicalities of the cue.

A few people have Frence markers, with a dial to register scores, set in the rail of the table, but most players cling were before the like own average in fielding and batting dropped lower than they a task Elberfeld has performed to the rail of the table, but most players cling were before the id:a of becoming a man- queen's taste.

Yankees Need Leader.

Picked a few weeks ago as the classiest team in the league, and backed by thousands as the club destined to win the dropped into last place, with only a most in the race.

of the players the ill-fortune had driven his chances. Clarke Griffith into retirement, and when To cast aspersions on any champion in which the best billiard balls are made, the youngster took charge, it was ex- the hour of defeat seems cruel, but Ganpitchers, the New York Americans, man | get another fight. for man, compare favorably with any Reflection on the outcome of the fight, club in the league, and even the twirlers however, strengthens the conviction that have shown sufficient class to win when Nelson won on his merits. That Gans

of affording. of the balls. Billiards demands the qual- from Philadelphia that Griffith had blows that sent the negro to the floor in stepped down and Elberfeld had been defeat. these necessary to good chess playing and those imperative in fencing. In the first case, planning ahead and calculating strokes and counterstrokes cannot be indulged in deliberately as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be indulged in deliberately as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as in chess but the counterstrokes cannot be incompletely as incompletely as

the shortstop to the skies, and even when Whether he is still strong enough to rement to "come on." he may shout angrily at the ball to stop, and if he does not accuse his opponent of taking unfair admulate a countercharge at the same in-stant; to estimate distance, describe an-guide the New York club to the pennant. pin their faith to the Old Master.

Perhaps it was these unjustified boosts Bob Unglaub should make a most valu- that led President Farrell to name Elberable acquisition for the Washington ball feld for manager when Griffith voluntarily resigned when he thought it was The new National received his most im- an unjustice to his employer to continue

portant lessons in baseball under Joe in charge of a team that was not coming long been friends, it is not too much to | As a leader of ball players. Elberfeld is expect that Unglaub will shake off the almost a joke. Untamable and ungovernindifference that characterized his work able Norman Elberfeld is lacking in the while he was at Boston and settle down fundamental qualifications for a position in charge of a group of men, and has yet When McGuire was made manager of to show that he posseszes in any degree

> lass warrants. Perhaps in appointing Elberfeld Farreil

New York and who has stuck to the ship through its rather stormy trip.

Another Chance for Gans,

The expected has happened, and Batpennant, the New York Highlanders have tling Neison and Joe Gans have signed gone from bad to worse, until they have articles for a return fight on Labor Day. On the day following the fight, in which forlorn hope of again becoming a factor Gans was dethroned as light-weight champion, many experts were of the To place the whole blame for the pres- opinion that the bout had been prearent predicament of the Yankees upon the ranged in order to allow the Baltimorean shoulders of Kid Elberfeld would be un- to pick up a tidy sum by accepting the fair. Before Elberfeld was given charge prohibitive odds that were offered against

pected that it would be some time before record was so much against him that it he could get the Highlanders back into was only natural to suspect that he had their old stride that carried them into the willingly allowed himself to be beaten lead earlier in the season. Barring their in order to win some bets and incidentally

given the excellent fielding and batting was not in perfect trim was probably support that their teammates are capable of affording. ten rounds that allowed the Dane to When the announcement was made wade through his defense and land the

indulged in deliberately, as in chess, but since has justified the prediction.

The product of the prediction of the pre

#### A LONG SEA CHASE.

Brig by a British War Vessel.

players do not cause injuries to eyes and game ne plays teaches a man much more than how to drive a bail successfully and power was yet unbroken, there took place than how to drive a bail successfully and power was yet unbroken, there took place ereign; but the promotion does not seem to have been confirmed by the admiralty, gracefully as she wields her cue. Women portance internationally, deserves to be at any rate until some two years later make good billiard players, and many a one declares that her husband enjoys her companionship more because she is able datamination displayed by both the companionship more because she is able datamination displayed by both the companionship more because she is able datamination displayed by both the companionship more because she is able to be a superior of the companionship more because the compani determination displayed by both the com The weight of cues depends upon the fancy of the player, who uses that to which he has accustomed himself. Ex- English vessel Wizard, a brig-sloop of When the Syracuse 'varsity shell struck perts play with a cue that weighs from sixteen guns, with a crew of close upon that rowboat, two days before the big inof maple is preferred to any other kind.

Ferris, and the French brig corvette knocking off six feet of the bow, the oars-In England those of ebony still have a vogue. The standard one is four feet Requin, also a sixteen-gun ship, but have men felt about as the Cornell four did nine inches in length, with maple shaft ing a slight advantage over her opponent Saturday when their shell hit the buoy. and butt of rosewood, ebony, California in the number of her crew. In point of However, the Cornell boathouse was a rosewood-indeed, any wood that is deco- tonnage there was practical equality, the harbor of refuge, Coach Courtney inviting below 300 tons.

May, 1808, the Wizard, cruising in the attaches to the telling. Mediterranean, sighted the Requin in the A foray was made among the other shifting the ship's provisions aft and eyes using every other means to increase her speed. Four hours after midnight, the wind being light, the Wizard got out her sweeps to aid the sails, the men enclock the Requin fired her stern guns which the English ship replied in kind. At 3 the Requin brought and fired a broadside. The Wizard, nothing loath, now ran close up, hove to, and for an hour and a half a standing fight went on. The English guns were trained on the French ship's hull, while the Requin, evidently desirous of proceeding on her course, aimed more at her opponent's masts and spars, and with no small effect. Then, making sail once more, the Requin drew away. The Wizard, being o leeward, lost the wind, but still main tained the fight until her guns no longer reached the foe. At dusk, when twelve leagues west of the island of Toro, the sweeps were again plied for two hours, and for a second time the Wizard's crew were mulcted of their rest. The British loss in the encounter was five wounded

At 6 o'clock on the morning of the 12th he ships were again near enough for the Wizard to fire; but a vigorous use of the hind the Blue, the Syracuse man would sweeps notwithstanding, the distance be tween the vessels soon increased to a mile, a mile and a half, three miles. The Boston editor reports a baseball all the efforts of the captain of the Wizard could decrease the intervening space At midnight the ships were still more than two miles apart, and only seven from the coast of Africa. And for the Wizard's orew there was again no sleep.
On the 13th, half an hour after mid-

night, the Requin, followed by the Wizmittent fog, in which the vessels con stantly lost sight of each other, and the Requin drew four miles away. tortions, from which the globe finally ard's crew was constantly at the sweeps, emerged, describing a perfect parabola, guns were fired to call the attention of repeated three consecutive times, the un- was no response, and the fourth night

At 4 o'clock on the morning of the 14th Cape Carthage was only four miles off, There, in the neutral harbor below Fort Goleta, the French brig anchored safely, and the long chase was at an end. All that the captain of the Wizard could do now was to run under the Requin's stern,

the wind would permit. A chronicler remarks that this performance was highly creditable to the Wizard's crew, and that sailing deprived it of the prize its valor

BROKEN SYRACUSE SHELL

Requin being just over, the Wizard just Coach Ten Eyck in with the shell to see what could be done. What was done has An hour after midday on the 10th of became aquatic history, but novel interest

balls were not introduced until 1806. Olden northeast, steering southward, and forth- boathouses for a piece of cedar, but none from the west, and through the after- Cornell's boat builder, consulted with was out of the question for the English that should bring you luck," said the latcrew, who were kept busily engaged ter to Coach Ten Eyck, with twinkling

It did. For the piece of cedar used to mend the Orange shell was taken from no less a craft than the famous shell in which the Cornell craw of 1901 set the marvelous course record of 18.53 for the couraged by their nearness to the French-man, now but two miles away. At 8 the finish line, a mile below the bridge. While Hoyle, then whom there is no and showed French colors, a display to more skilled boat builder in the world, set to work, Ten Eyek and Courtney reveled reminiscences of the old days when

Jim was beating Charlie and Charlie was eating Jim. It has been a common assumption that the veterans are sworn enemies. Nothing could be more errone-ous. They are firm friends, and always have been. Incidentally, they divide the oners of the river. After the 'varsity race Saturday, those pon the decks of the craft at the finish

ine were startled to see the coxswain leap from his seat head-fore nost into the Hudson. It was at first thought that despair over defeat had driven him to suicide It was hardly that. He rose to the sur

face and swam toward the Orange shell. Arrived there, he stripped off his blue jersey and handed it to the Orange coxswain; then swam back to his own crew It was to settle a bet between the little fellows. If the Orange had finished behave done the dive on a similar errand. As it happened, the Orange coxswain paraded the streets that night with a belt ormed of a blue jersey.

Great Western Racing Circuit.

After a lot of switching around, declaring off, and re-entering, the Great Western Circuit seems to have settled down to a combination of race meetings that could scarcely be beat. The line as now arranged is a great deal better, from a geographical point of view, making the shipments easier and consequently lessening the expense to horsemen. cult, according to the latest arrangement and the amount of money hung up, is as follows:

ferre Haute, Ind., July 14-17. Pekin, III., July 29-24. Springfield, III., July 28-31... Kalamazoo, Mich., August Salesburg, III., August 10-14 Milwaukee, Wis, September 7-11... Libertyville, Ill., September 14-18.. Peoria, Ill., September 22-25..... 10,000



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